

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 10-17 without prejudice.

REMARKS

Applicants have studied the Office Action dated July 15, 2002 and have made amendments to the claims. It is submitted that the application, as amended, is in condition for allowance. By virtue of this amendment, claims 1-9 are pending. Claims 10-17 have been canceled without prejudice. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims in view of the above amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

In response to the restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121, Applicants elect for continued prosecution of the Group II claims (i.e., claims 1-9) drawn to an injection mold for encapsulating an integrated circuit chip. To advance the prosecution of the application, all other previously-pending claims (i.e., claims 10-17) have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicants expressly reserve the right to later file divisional applications directed to the non-elected claims.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the application and the claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

If for any reason the Examiner finds the application other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned attorney at (561) 989-9811 should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the application.

Respectfully submitted,

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